a slidable housing having a first end and a second end, said slidable housing receives said mating portion at said first end and said slidable housing is adapted to slide along said mating portion and engage said mating portion;

a cable that is connected to said mating portion and extends through said second end of said slidable housing; and

a locking member in operable communication with both said slidable housing and said cable;

~~The plug of claim 1,~~ wherein said locking member includes a main body having a circular shape, the main body includes an arm extending around an outside wall of main body and engaging said outside wall.

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6. ~~(Original)~~ The plug of claim 5, wherein said arm ~~having~~ has a mechanism to hold said arm to said outside wall.

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7. (Original) The plug of claim 5, wherein said arm is engaged to said outside wall by teeth.

8. (Currently Amended) A modular plug comprising:

a mating portion having a latch for engaging a jack;

a slidable housing having a first end and a second end, said slidable housing receives said mating portion at said first end and said slidable housing is adapted to slide along said mating portion and engage said mating portion;

a cable that is connected to said mating portion and extends through said second end of said slidable housing; and

a locking member in operable communication with both said slidable housing and said cable;